St. Aidan's Parish Centre Memberships available

<u>Tuesday</u>: Slimming World 9.30am,11.30am & 5.30pm (Michelle 07940181515) Country Night 7.30pm

<u>Wednesday</u> Bingo at 1pm Quiz Night

<u>Thursday</u> Bingo 7.30pm Zumba 6.30-7.30pm (£3)

> Function room for hire Friday, Saturday and noon Sunday. Provide your own catering or ask for a quote.

All enquiries contact: Jacqui on 0151-489-9024

Thank you to all Parishioners & friends who supported the Macmillan Coffee Morning at the Club. With your donations we raised a fantastic £200 <u>St Agnes' Parish Centre</u> New Memberships available

Mon/Tues—Darts Night

<u>Tuesday</u> Bingo 7.30pm

Wednesday Quiz night from 9.30pm

<u>Thursday</u>—Pensioners Club, 1pm-3pm tea and coffee Bingo/Raffle Bingo 7:30pm

<u>Saturday</u> evening—live entertainment in the lounge

Sunday—Country & Western night.

The Concert /Function room is available for hire on Friday & Saturday evenings, weekday afternoons & Sunday afternoons.

> All enquiries contact: Justyna on 0151-489-3990 07757594951

# The Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan





Sunday 21st October 2012 Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B)

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#### Mission Statement of the Archdiocese of Liverpool

Taking to heart the last words of the Lord Jesus, we will go into the world and proclaim the Good News to the whole of creation.



#### Prayer Requests

For those who are sick or in special need of our Prayers Dougie & May Hayhurst, Sue Johnson, Margaret Maguire, Bill Hall, John Hunter, Paul Roberts, John Roberts, Rose Bryan, Katie Nichols,

Daisy May, Claire Bruder, Clare Deane, Martin Thomas, Craig Wilson, Pauline Campbell, Kathleen Ross, Tricia Robinson, Rvan Johnson, Brian Whiteacre, Barbara Shervall, Gerard Taylor, May Cooper, Marie Keights, Ann Paterson, Ian Gordon, Marie Mills, Dorothy Kelly, Bernard Foley, Anne Maguire, Mary Parker, Maureen Lincoln, Mia Lewsey, Margie, Michael Williams, June Hunt, Terry Thompson, Maisy Eason, Brenda Cubells, Rose Saunders, John Pollard, Lily O'Neill, Dean Easton, Anne Nolan, Lawrence McClintock, Albert Wilson, Nicky Allen, Bill Jones, Christopher Massam, Jim Phillips, Joe Muraski, Marion Fallon, Betty Johns, Frank & Joan McCann. Vera Cummins, Rose Rimmer, Philip Bromwell, Pauline Burgess, James Soundie, Marie D'Arcy, Jean Brailsford, Thomas Clegg, Daphne Flynn, Jim Rose, Tony Clintworth, Baby Aidan James Morris, Lynn McNabb, Claire Waldron, Kay Vaughan, Wendy Paveley, Elsie Blundell, Kitty Barnes, Maureen McGurk, Vera Murphy, Sandra Rowley, Ann Jones, Josie Campbell, Jack & Winnie Witter, Peggy Skidmore, Nel Jordan. Baby Eddie Anthony Doran., Emma Davies, Angela Fleetwood, George Gibbons, Maria Edge, Mary Fullerton, Rose Rawlinson, Averyll Fairfield, Hilda Logan, Mary Organ, Carol Atkinson, Brendan Reilly, Christine Lees, Jennifer Hewitt, Pauline Clegg, Joseph Hill, Susan McDougalle, Mary Scaife, Pat Madden, David Critchley, Eileen Mooney, Philip Galaghan, We also remember all those mentioned in St. Aidan's Prayer Diary.

There are a number of young adults in our parishes who are terminally ill at the moment. Please remember them and their families specially in your prayers.

Lately Dead Kathy Fielding, Jimmy Murphy, Charles Russell

Anniversaries

Mo Boyd, Bernie Mudge, Robert Riley, Maureen O'Connell, John Gannon, Jason Robinson, Nellie Lynch, Ron Jenkins, Bernadette Crawford, Michael Coyne

#### Sanctuary Lamps



This week 21st October2012

St Agnes Sanctuary Lamp – Keith Gledhill

#### St. Aidan's Sanctuary Lamp— Parishioners of St Aidan

Please ensure that details of your dedication are written on the front of the envelope and placed in the black post box in the Sacristy.

Please enter your Gift Aid Number if you have one. Thank you.

used to pay off the loan. St. Aidan's club are extending the small room and making a kitchen. Discussion as to use of the club. Fr. Anton will ask the diocese to come for a meeting about St. Agnes' club.

- St. Agnes' security Ian Henesey explained there is a problem with people coming through down the side of the club lots of rubbish, bottles, urinating etc. Proposal of a side gate and front gate. Agreed to have an arched gate, with cross. If anyone has any quotations in the next 2 weeks, please submit to the office. After that arrangements will be made.
- **Sacramental Prep** feedback from Claire Ball, Vera Whitfield & Jacqui Hennesey. All efforts are being made to help children to attend.
- **Parish Census** good idea to visit homes doing a census—this may initially be done via the records of children in our schools.
- **Fundraisers** Future fundraisers should be joint "We Can Make a Difference" events. Linda Roberts will organise a raffle at the winter night. Prizes to be bought with proceeds from Asda vouchers. Honor Ambrose to book Woody again for the Winter Night. Invites will be sent to the schools.
- **Christmas raffles** to be held in both parishes. Parishioners from St. Agnes & St. Aidan's will liaise.
- **Carpets at St. Agnes'** Ian Henesey to get quotes for carpets to be cleaned in St. Agnes' church & meeting room.
- Year of Faith—Sr. Elizabeth reminded us that it is also the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Vatican II. Would be good to link celebrations with a re-visiting of the Vatican documents. We have a responsibility to help the church to move forward. Sr. MaryRose weeks of guided prayer/ retreat would be good during the Year of Faith.
- **Thanks** Fr Anton thanked the sisters and parishioners who are working in our parishes. We need to make sure we have 'backup' for everyone.
- **Pipe at St. Agnes' Club** is leaking and needs to be fixed. Ian will sort out a plumber.
- **Mass cards-** Demand has not been good for the cards we designed ourselves. Prayer and sharing group.
- **Call to Action** Sr. MaryRose gave feedback on the meeting in London which several parishioners attended. Lots of people feeling concern or upset at way things are happening in the church without consultation e.g. new liturgy. This meeting asked how can we restore something of what was asked for at VII about consultation between laity, priests and bishops? There will be other meetings in this diocese.

• Thanks—were offered to the office staff for their work and support.

#### Minutes of Joint Parish Pastoral Meeting 14th October 2012 - 3pm St. Agnes'



- **49** Present, 1 apology
- **Opening Prayer –** read by Trisha Andrews
- Mass for the faithful departed Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November in St. Aidan's, families who have been bereaved in the past year will be contacted.
- Winter Night Fri 30th November in St. Aidan's club organising group will be established & meet separately
- **Christmas Masses** Christmas Eve St. Aidan's 5:30 children's nativity followed by Mass at 6pm. 8:30 vigil at St. Agnes. Christmas Day St. Aidan's 9:30, St. Agnes' 11am. Christmas cards with times will be sent to as many homes in the parishes as possible.
- **Pensioners' Fish & Chips night** 11<sup>th</sup> January 4:30 pm for 5 at St. Aidan's (provisional on building work at St. Aidan's)
- SVP dinner Friday 7th December
- Krakow & Lourdes alternate years. 2013 trip to Krakow to be organised for the week after Easter.
- Youth Group/ Children's group Annette Dunning explained that the small number of secondary age children meant that they have opened it to younger children and now have a very good number (mostly years 5&6). Long term plan is do complete H&S work on the Oratory so the youngsters will have their own space. Appeal for helpers to put on activities for the group.
- **Building Reports** Joe Morgan explained that the diocese have now inspected both churches. Some work needed immediately, some within the next 5 years.
- St. Agnes' fire detection system asap. In next 12 months church & house roofs need repairing. Rent & utilities is now being paid by the presbytery. St. Aidan's some rooms need demolishing & one large room with kitchen made. Meetings are taking place & parishioners will be informed.

Both churches have asbestos in parts. The Archdiocese will take care of this but in the meantime, please don't do any minor work e.g. nails in walls.

- Foodbank Parishioners encouraged to volunteer at St. Michael's good ecumenical links.
- Missions Parishioners (18+) who are involved and attend Mass in Huyton are welcome to join the projects. There will be an open meeting once a month. Two projects will be brought together as "We can make a Difference". Joe Morgan & Honor Ambrose to coordinate the group. Jan 2014 will be the last trip to Suriname. We also need to support local causes which can change each year.
- **Parish clubs** St. Agnes' is still running at a deficit but is improving on recent years. No barrelage from St. Agnes' because the money is being

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday 20th October

St. Agnes Mass 5.30pm—Joan Wood

<u>Sunday 21st October 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time (World Mission Day)</u>

St Aidan Mass 9.30am-Bernadette Crawford St Agnes Mass 11am—John Gannon

#### Monday 22nd October

St Agnes 9.30am Celebration of the Word & Communion

Tuesday 23rd October

St Aidan Mass 7.30pm—Frank Kearns

Wednesday 24th October

St.Agnes Mass 7.30pm- Alf McMurrie

Thursday 25th October

St Agnes Requiem Mass 11am—Charles Russell

Friday 26th October

St Agnes Requiem Mass 10.00am—Jimmy Murphy

St Agnes Requiem Mass 1pm—Kathleen (Kathy) Fielding

#### Saturday 27th October

St Agnes Mass 5.30pm—Bill Worthington

Sunday 28th October 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

St Aidan Mass 9.30am—Bernie Mudge

St Agnes Mass 11am—Nellie Lynch

#### **Confessions**

Saturday at St. Agnes 5-5.20 pm & Friday after 12 Noon Mass at St Aidan's *(Until there is nobody waiting)* 

#### Please Note

All Mass Intentions have been filled until <u>FEBRUARY 2013</u> for St.Agnes & <u>DECEMBER 2012</u> for St. Aidan. Thank you

#### PARISH OFFICE/PRESBYTERY

<u>Main Parish Office:</u> <u>St Aidan's</u> <u>92 Adswood Road</u> <u>L36 7XR</u>

Office Hours: Monday 9am-4pm

Tuesday 9.30am - 12.30pm Wednesday 9.00am—12.30pm

Thursday 10am - 4pm

Friday 9am - 4pm

All Enquiries to

Tel/Fax : 0151 489 3085

<u>St Agnes Church</u> <u>82 Huyton Hey Road</u> <u>L36 5SQ</u> For Mass Cards etc Hours: Friday - 1pm — 4 pm (Church no- 0151 449 2209) Also available from St Aidan's Church 489-3085 Newsletter items by Thursday morning to Main Parish Office <u>New Email Address:</u> agnesaidan@rcaolp.co.uk

<u>For your information</u> Parish Newsletters are posted on Parish Website every week.

> Parish Web Site-Parishes-of-stagnesstaidans.org.uk



SISTERS: <u>Helpers of the Holy Souls</u> Sr. Elizabeth - 0151 480 7904 Sr. MaryRose - 0151 482 6895

Sisters of St. Mary of Namur

Sr. Barbara –228-2239 Sr. Gabriel-489-1302 Sr. Sarah-489-1302

<u>Primary Schools</u> St. Aidan 0151 477 8370 St. Joseph 0151 489 4072 St. Anne's 0151 477 8260

Parish Clergy Parish Priest Rev. Fr. Anton Fernandopulle 0151 489-3085

Deacon-Mike Whelan

Pastoral Assistant– Claire Ball 07899 937948 E-mail: clairem\_ball@yahoo.co.uk



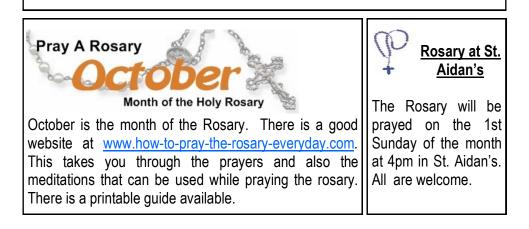
'Parishes of St Agnes and St Aidan'. The only "throne" that he shares with his disciples is the "throne of grace." Here, one receives not places of honour alongside him but mercy, grace, and timely help. The wellspring for this mercy is that Jesus himself endured all that we endure, and is this able to suffer with all those who suffer.

The attempt to explain the suffering of Jesus or of any good person by assuring future reward falters. A different explanation is found in the first reading, where the servant's suffering is spoken of as a vicarious offering for sin, which sets aright the relationship of many sinners with God. In the gospel Jesus speaks similarly about his life given as a "ransom for many." "Ransom" refers literally to the buying back of the freedom of a slave. It too is a metaphor that expresses in a limited way the freeing effects of Jesus' costly love. But this metaphor can lead is to slip again into a tit-for-tat mentality, in which a reward can be purchased or earned. Today's responsorial psalm captures the core of what Jesus attempts to teach his disciples: the only adequate response to suffering is to turn toward the Merciful One, in whom we place all our trust. This is not an explanation for how a merciful God can allow innocent persons to suffer, but it is the response of faith. As we immerse ourselves in Gods' mercy, we are baptized in a love that is stronger that suffering and death.

#### **Praying With Scripture**

- How is Jesus' inviting you to approach the "throne of grace"?
- Pray for the gift of mercy and trust.
- Let Jesus show you what it is to choose to be servant in contrast to the enforced servitude of those who are downtrodden.

- Barbara E. Reid



#### The Throne of Grace

People can endure almost anything if they know there will be an end to their suffering and that there will be some recompense. In today's gospel James and John have just heard Jesus speak for the third time about being handed over, mocked, scourged, and condemned to death. Unlike Peter, whose response when Jesus first spoke about this was to reject such a scenario, the Zebedee brothers focus their attention on what reward they will gain if they endure such abuse. They envision

Jesus enthroned in glory after his ordeal and themselves seated in the places of honour at his right and left. The other disciples are indignant with the two brothers, probably not because James and John have missed Jesus' message but because they beat the others in requesting the honourable spots.

In response Jesus uses two powerful symbols. He asks if James and John can drink the cup that he will drink and whether they can be baptized with the baptism he will undergo. In the scriptures, "cup" is frequently used as a metaphor for suffering. That meaning is clear dint eh Gethsemane scene where Jesus begs God to let the cup pass him by if possible. Likewise, baptism here signifies being plunged into suffering and going through the throes of death, to emerge into new life.

The self-confidence James and John exude is astounding. They quickly assert that they can drink this cup and undergo this baptism. But do they really know what they are saying? Their eagerness leads us to reflect on our own ability to answer Jesus' questions. Perhaps there have been times when we eagerly said "I do" or "we can," without fully knowing to what we were committing ourselves. Or we may know full well the demands of dedicating ourselves to Jesus' way of costly love, but the thought of a reward seems to make it worth the price.

Jesus takes the disciples another step deeper. The reward for which they hope beyond this life is not within Jesus' control to give, and it must not be their motivation. Jesus speaks disapprovingly about any who seek displays of greatness and authority over others – apparently even in the next life. The hope of reversal, of the servant becoming enthroned, is not what motivated Jesus, nor should it motivate his disciples.



#### **Baptism**

St. Aidan's Baptism **Preparation:** 2nd Monday of the month in St. Aidan's church at 6:30pm

#### St. Aidan's Baptisms: 3rd Sunday at 10:30am

4th Saturday at 12 noon

#### St. Agnes' Baptism Preparation:

1st Tuesday of the month in St. Agnes' church at 7:30pm

#### St. Agnes' Baptisms:

1st Sunday at 12:30pm 2nd Sunday at 2pm

If you wish to have your child baptised, vou must contact the Parish Office on 489 3085 and you will be booked into a preparation meeting.

#### Table Top Sale

Over the winter months, the car boot sale will become a table top sale in the Sr. Elizabeth Kelly meeting room at St. Agnes' (entrance on St Mary's Road). This will be on the last Saturday of every month from 8am-12pm (£ 5 per table). You must ring the office to book a place. Please feel free to come and look around for a bargain!





#### **St Agnes Altar Servers**

There will be a practice for all altar servers on Saturday 3rd November 11 00am Please try and attend Many thanks

#### Selection Boxes

We are looking for donations of £1 so that we can buy selection boxes to send to the children in Romania that we work with in the Romania project.

## Romania & Albania Projects

If you are a parishioner who is 18+ and regularly worship at St. Agnes or St. Aidan's you may like to help on our projects in Romania or Albania. There is a group that meets every first Saturday of the month at 6.30pm at St. Agnes (after 5.30 Mass). If you are interested, please come along!

#### St. Aidan's Tea Club

It has been decided that the money raised from the tea club at St. Aidan's will be given to support Lyndale (Knowsley's Cancer Support Group) A number of our parishioners are suffering from cancer and we are very grateful for the support Lyndale offers.

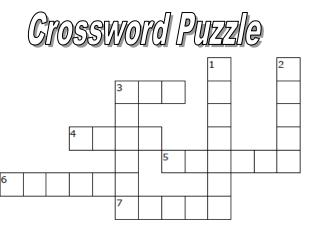
To Be Like Jesus

James and John asked Jesus if they could have the places of honour next to him in his kingdom. Jesus said to them "you don't know what you are asking." Then he explained that whoever wants to be great must be a servant of all. Sometimes we BUT TO SERVE. may wish we could be more like Jesus. If we really



NOT TO BE SERVED

want that to come true though, we must give our lives in service to others.



#### ACROSS

- 3. To occupy a chair
- 4. The direction that is the opposite of right
- 5. to be in front; to be first
- 6. A special chair used by a king or queen
- 7. The direction that is the opposite of left

#### DOWN

- 1. A person who works for another person
- 2. To do something to help someone, often after they ask you to do it
- 3. To feel physical or mental pain

	LEADER	SERVANT	FAVOR
RIGHT	SIT	SUFFER	THRONE